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1. After August 1949, the North Korean navy started building a naval base on Taedasa-do (12h-26, 39-48). The construction of navy training quarters was still under way in February 1950. Islanders were ordered to leave the island by the end of 1949, and the twenty percent remaining after that date are being expelled by the navy. Fishing in the area is prohibited.
2. Since December 1949, Chinese wooden boats have been bringing in materials (unknown) to Taedasa-do from Tatunkou (12h-10, 39-52), near Antung, Manchuria.
3. About 400 naval personnel are stationed at the base, and the number of ships operating at the base are two iron-clad boats, three wooden ships, five boats, and one Soviet-made submarine. In addition, about one company of North Korean soldiers, trained in Peiping, have been brought to the island from Tsingtao by Chinese transport ships.

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